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COMPLETED ONE HOUR AND 30 MINUTE FLIGHT THIS MORNING.  
 WATER UTILIZED FOR TAKE-OFF. CLIMB IN AFTER BURNER TO TWENTY  
 THOUSAND, CLIMB CONTINUED IN MILITARY TO 31,000. OPERATION  
 AAS ESSENTIALLY CONFINED TO MAX ALTITUDE OF 34,000 AND MAX MACH  
 OF APPROX .85. A PORTION OF TIME AT ALTITUDE SPENT ON  
 ADDITIONAL STABILITY AUGMENTATION INVESTIGATIONS. MAXIMUM  
 INDICATED AIRSPEED ON FLIGHT WAS 340 KNOTS. TRIM CHANGES  
 ASSOCIATED WITH GEAR EXTENSION AND RETRACTION WERE NOTED AS  
 NEGLIGIBLE. A 26 WIND UP TURN WAS ACCOMPLISHED AT TEN  
 THOUSAND MSL, 60 DEGREE BANK, 290 K IAS, FUEL TOTAL APPROX  
 9000 POUNDS. NOTHING UNUSUAL NOTED DURING TURN. FINAL  
 APPROACH SPEED WAS 160 K. TOUCHDOWN AT 148K APPEARED NORMAL.  
 PILOT ACCOMPLISHED SOME DEGREE OF AERODYNAMIC BRAKING  
 DURING LANDING ROLL. IT APPEARS THAT CONSIDERABLE BENEFIT MAY BE

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DERIVED FROM THIS TECHNIQUE. FURTHER EXPERIMENTING IS EXPECTED TO ESTABLISH THE OPTIMUM ANGLE FOR THIS TECHNIQUE AND THE BEST AIRSPEED FOR LOWERING NOSE GEAR TO RUNWAY. PLANNING EARLY MORNING FLIGHT FOR TOMORROW, 9 MAY 62.

END OF MESSAGE